



Team Dessoude



PRESS INFO - DAKAR 2015

Scrutineering & Podium Ceremony

Saturday 3rd of January 2015 - Buenos Aires (Argentina)

Buenos Aires :Team DESSOUDE is ready to start!



The 37th edition of the Dakar is on track and tomorrow morning the caravan of the greatest race in the world will leave Buenos Aires towards Villa Carlos Paz, end of the first leg. This first stage of 170 km looks like a big Prologue but the leg will be 833 km total. A good warm-up ...

But before the real kick off of the event, a ceremony of presentation to the fans was held this afternoon in front of the Casa Rosada, where the Argentinian presidency is located, in front of tens of thousands of enthusiasts who would not have missed such

a show. Sun and festive atmosphere welcomed the competitors. While waiting to get on the podium in the same city on 17 January, this starting ceremony has become a must for the delight of teams and Argentinian aficionados.



This privileged moment of sharing with the fans followed the traditional Scrutineering that ended in the morning. No less than 406 vehicles, 161 motorbikes, 45 quads, 137 cars and 63 trucks were declared fit for service! Among them, the two Proto N05 and the Buggy Juke of the Team DESSOUDE. Everything is ready for the start of the adventure as confirmed by André DESSOUDE.

"The day before the start of a Dakar is always both festive and stressful. Festive because it is a unique moment of sharing with the fans and the other teams and stressful because we are close to two weeks of racing on a crazy pace. It is time to ask questions and to wonder what we have forgotten ... Anyway, it's too late to change anything because the Dakar has to be thoroughly prepared well in advance and no subject to improvise the day before the start of the race. Our three cars and our three crews are ready to race and I'm looking forward to see them on track. It will be a long and difficult race and we will have to be focused on the management of each kilometer to get good results."



Competitors will start tomorrow on a quick pace and at high speed on fast and technical tracks where the drivers will be highlighted. While the stage is only 170 km, it will be followed by a long liaison to reach the first bivouac. This introduction could be an easy driving but on a Dakar impressions can be deceiving ... See you tomorrow night in Villa Carlos Paz!



The CREWS of Team DESSOUDE

- #328 Thierry MAGNALDI (FRA) - Guy LENEVEU (FRA) - Buggy Juke
- #363 ZHONG LEI (CHN) - MA MIAO (CHN) - Proto Dessoude 05
- #393 LIU KUN (CHN) - LIAO MIN (CHN) - Proto Dessoude 05

Leg 1 - 4th of January 2015

First leg between Buenos Aires and Villa Carlos Paz.



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